East Bay Nursery

Barry's Crazy Cherry Tomato

Solanum lycopersicum 'Barry's Crazy Cherry'



Barry's Crazy Cherry Tomato fruit
Photo courtesy of NetPS Plant Finder

Height: 5 feet

Spread: 30 inches

Spacing: 3 feet

Sunlight:

Hardiness Zone: (annual)

Group/Class: Cherry/Grape-Indeterminate

Description:

Extremely large clusters are featured on this indeterminate variety; yellow, lemon shaped cherry tomatoes with pointed ends are sweet and juicy; delicious for snacking, adding to salads or even roasted; easy to grow and early to produce

Edible Qualities

Barry's Crazy Cherry Tomato is an annual vegetable plant that is commonly grown for its edible qualities. It produces small clusters of lemon yellow oval tomatoes (which are technically 'berries') with lemon yellow flesh which are usually ready for picking from early summer to early fall. This is an indeterminate variety, which means it produces fruit throughout the growing season. The tomatoes have a sweet taste and a juicy texture.

The tomatoes are most often used in the following ways:

- Fresh Eating
- Eating When Cooked/Prepared
- Cooking
- Baking
- Pickling

Planting & Growing

Barry's Crazy Cherry Tomato will grow to be about 5 feet tall at maturity, with a spread of 30 inches. When planted in rows, individual plants should be spaced approximately 3 feet apart. Because of its vigorous growth habit, it may require staking or supplemental support. This fast-growing vegetable plant is an annual, which means that it will grow for one season in your garden and then die after producing a crop.

This plant can be difficult to integrate into a landscape or flower garden, and is best grown in a designated vegetable garden. It should only be grown in full sunlight. It does best in average to evenly moist conditions, but will not tolerate standing water. It is not particular as to soil pH, but grows best in rich soils. It is somewhat tolerant of urban pollution. This is a selected variety of a species not originally from North America, and it is considered by many to be an heirloom variety.

Barry's Crazy Cherry Tomato is a good choice for the vegetable garden, but it is also well-suited for use in outdoor pots and containers. With its upright habit of growth, it is best suited for use as a 'thriller' in the 'spiller-thriller-filler' container combination; plant it near the center of the pot, surrounded by smaller plants and those that spill over the edges. It is even sizeable enough that it can be grown alone in a suitable container. Note that when growing plants in outdoor containers and baskets, they may require more frequent waterings than they would in the yard or garden.